

EDITORIAL

Dr. Arthur A. Allen will retire from his position as Professor of Ornithology at Cornell University in late August. In 45 years on the Cornell faculty Dr. Allen has worked with more than 10,000 students. His influence on these students, though difficult to measure, constitutes a great contribution to ornithology. Dr. Allen is widely known for his several books, technical papers, bird photographs, and sound recordings. Although retiring from formal teaching, Dr. Allen will continue his other ornithological pursuits.

Dr. Ernest Mayr, Curator of the Whitney-Rothschild Collection, American Museum of Natural History, has been appointed Alexander Agassiz Professor of Zoology in the Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard University. Mr. James C. Greenway, Jr., has been appointed Curator of Birds in the Museum, succeeding the late James L. Peters, and Mr. Raymond A. Paynter, Jr., has been appointed Assistant Curator of Birds.

Dr. Ira N. Gabrielson, president of the Wildlife Management Institute and former Director of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, recently became the third recipient of the Aldo Leopold Memorial Award, conservation's highest honor, for his accomplishments in wildlife administration and in prevention of exploitation of our natural resources.

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